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FLUTIST TO PERFORM AT UM

Frances Blaisdell will present a flute recital Friday (Jan. 27) at 8:15 p.m. in the University of Montana Recital Hall, Dean Charles W. Bolen of the School of Fine Arts announced. Dean Bolen, himself a flutist, calls Miss Blaisdell "America's foremost woman flutist."

At the age of 20, Miss Blaisdell appeared as soloist with the New York Philharmonic Symphony, and she is the only woman ever to play in the wind section of that orchestra. She has appeared with leading orchestras in London, Boston, Indianapolis and elsewhere and has given solo and chamber music performances throughout the country. She has been solo flutist of the New York City Ballet for 10 years.

Miss Blaisdell, an educator as well as a performer, will also conduct a clinic for UM students while she is on campus. She is a member of the faculty of New York University and Manhattan School of Music and belongs to several professional education organizations. She is appearing at the University through the offices of the Educational Services Department, Artley, Inc., Elkhart, Ind.

The recitalist was born in New Jersey and was graduated from Juilliard School of Music. She has studied with Ernest F. Wagner and Georges Barrere in New York, Marcel Moyse in Paris, and William Kincaid in Philadelphia.

Her program Friday is open to the public without charge, the dean said.